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**RE: Grey Eagle Mine Superfund Site
Siskyou County, California**

Dear Ms. Cox:

Recently, it has come to my attention as counsel for Stancorp that it has received some additional information pertaining to the EPA Request for Information No. 9, served on Stancorp. The substance of this information is contained on Exhibit 6 attached to the responses of Stancorp which were previously forwarded to you in this matter. The purpose of this letter is to supplement or further clarify the information that was set forth in Exhibit 6 attached to Stancorp's responses in this matter. It is probable that you already have the data that I am about to submit through your request served on Siskon and/or Lafarge, the company that purchased Standard Slag Company shares in 1989. Nevertheless, I submit the following:

Standard Magnesia Company acquired its interest in the Grey Eagle Mine Site by assignment of a lease which was originally given by Siskon to Standard Slag Company and, thereafter, conveyed to Standard Magnesia Company. The terms of the original lease agreement between Siskon and Standard Slag Company, I believe, are set forth in substance on Exhibit 6. Standard Magnesia Company did hold the leasehold interest on the property until it leased the same to Noranda.

Should you require further information, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned.

Very truly yours,


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